2005 Town Meeting Warrant Hudson, New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the Town of Hudson, in the County of Hillsborough, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Lions Hall, Lions Avenue, commencing at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 12, 2005 for the transaction of all business, other than voting by official ballot. This first session of the Annual Town Meeting shall consist of explanation, discussion and debate of each warrant article. Warrant articles may be amended at the first session, subject to the restrictions set forth in NH RSA 40:13, IV.

You are hereby further notified that the second session of the Annual Meeting shall be held at Lions Hall, Lions Avenue, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 8, 2005, to elect Town officers and to vote by official ballot on all articles set forth in this Warrant, as may be amended by act of the first session meeting.

Article 1 <u>Election of Town Officers</u>

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the coming year.

Zoning Amendments

Article 2 Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amend Article XIV-Impact Fees-Section 334-74.5, Payment of Fees, to provide that impact fees shall be assessed by the Planning Board at the time of subdivision or site plan approval. (Approved by the Planning Board.)

Article 3 Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Amend Article XV, Enforcement and Miscellaneous Provisions, by adding a new paragraph Section 334-82.G to provide that the Zoning Board of Adjustment may impose reasonable fees on applicants for the expense of consulting services, investigative studies and review of documents and other matters that may be required of particular applications. (Approved by the Planning Board.)

Petitioned Zoning Amendment

Article 4 Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by Petition for Rezoning as follows? Amend the Town of Hudson Official Zoning Map by changing the zoning classification of Town of Hudson Tax Map 234, Lots 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43 and 44, including the land that constitutes the abutting portion of Lowell Road, from Residential Two (R-2) District to Business (B) District. These parcels are located along the east side of Lowell Road immediately north of the intersection of Dracut Road and River Road, extending just south of Rena Avenue. (Approved by the Planning Board.)

Bond Article

Article 5 Water Utility Capital Improvements

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,350,000 gross budget for the purpose of Town of Hudson Water Utility Capital Improvements and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$2,350,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act, (RSA Chapter 33), and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue and sell such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 14, the Operating Budget.) (Recommended by the Selectmen.) (Recommended by the Budget Committee.)

Petitioned Bond Article

Article 6 Bond for Land Conservation

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000,000 to purchase land and easements for conservation purposes and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue bonds or note in compliance with provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33:1 et seq., as amended); provided, however, that notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Town shall not issue more than \$1,000,000 of bonds or note in any one calendar year; to authorize the Selectmen to negotiate and determine the rate of interest thereon and the maturity and other terms thereof, and to take any other action they deem appropriate to effectuate the sale and/or issuance of said bonds or notes; however, no such bonds or notes shall be issued with a term of maturity of less than 10 years or more than 15 years, and additionally, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,500 for the first year interest and costs. Land or property interests to be purchased with bond proceeds shall be acquired in the name of the Town by the Conservation Commission, subject to the approval of the Selectmen, pursuant to RSA 36-A:4. (This appropriation is in addition to Article 14, the Operating Budget.) (Not recommended by the Selectmen) (Recommended by the Budget Committee.)